

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA/BHARAT SARKAR
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS/RAIL MANTRALAYA
(RAILWAY BOARD)

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No.E(NG)I-2006/PM1/18

New Delhi, dated 30.08.2006

The General Managers (P)
All Indian Railways and PUs
(As per standard list)

Sub:- Introduction of Objective Type Questions in the written test held as part of selection for promotion to posts classified as 'Selection' - extending the provision of 50% objective type questions to lower grade selection posts.

As the Railways are aware in terms of para 219(c) of IREM Vol. I, 1989 while the written test held as part of the selection for promotion to the highest grade selection post in a category includes objective type questions for about 50% (in the range of 45%-55%) of the total marks for the written test, the one held for promotion to lower grade selection posts the extent of objective type questions is limited to 25% (in the range of 20% - 30%) of the total marks for the written test.

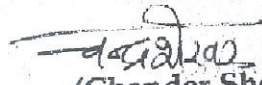
2. A demand has been raised in the forum of PNM- AIRF that the existing provision of setting up of 50% objective type questions in written tests held as part of selection for promotion to highest grade selection post in a category may be extended to selection posts in lower grades also.

3. The matter has been carefully considered by the Board and it has been decided that the existing provision of setting up of objective type questions to the extent of 50% of the total marks prescribed for written test held as part of selection for promotion to the highest grade selection post in a category should be extended to all selection posts in lower grades also.

3.1. The opportunity is also taken to clarify that objective type questions besides including the type of questions in the form of 'multiple choice', 'filling up the blanks', "tick 'true' or 'false' ", " 'right' or 'wrong' ", 'match the following' may include questions requiring one word/line answer, " 'yes' or 'no' ", naming e.g. 5 states, Railways, posts, grades etc.. This is to avoid unnecessary rigidity in framing the questions.

4. Accordingly, Indian Railway Establishment Manual Vol.I, 1989 may be amended as per ACS No.186 enclosed.

Please acknowledge receipt.


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D.A.: ACS No.186.

INDIAN RAILWAY ESTABLISHMENT MANUAL, VOLUME-I (1989 EDITION)

CHAPTER -II, SECTION 'B'

RULES GOVERNING PROMOTION OF GROUP 'C' STAFF

ADVANCE CORRECTION SLIP No.186.

For the existing Clause (i) after sub-para (c) of para 219 substitute the following:-

"(i). In the written test held as part of the selection for promotion to the posts classified as 'Selection', objective type questions should be set for about 50% (in the range of 45% to 55%) of the total marks for the written test."

(Authority: Railway Board's letters No.E(NG)I-2000/PM1/41 dt.08.03.2002 & dt.07.08.2003 and No. E(NG)I-2006/PM1/18 dt. 30.08.2006)